

TOWN OF MIDDLETON NEW HAMPSHIRE



Annual Report 2008

For the Fiscal Year Ending Dec. 31, 2008

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David was a U.S. Army veteran who served during the Korean War in Munich, Germany. He lived and worked in Venice, Florida, before moving to Middleton 11 years ago. David was instrumental in helping re-open the Middleton Library. He was well known for his love of people and was always willing to help others.

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MIDDLETON TOWN OFFICIALS

ELECTED OFFICIALS		TERM EXPIRES
Town Moderator	Jack Savage	2010
Board of Selectmen	Roger Mains, Chairman Todd LaPierre John Mullen, Jr	2009 2010 2011
Town Clerk/Tax Collector	Deborah O'Toole	2011
Town Treasurer	Leah Proulx	2009
Supervisors of the Checklist	Kathleen Allfrey Dorothy Reynolds	2014 2012
Middleton School Board	William Griffin Kimberly Galimberti Andrea Bowden Terri Laughy Ken Garry	2009 2009 2010 2010 2011
School District Clerk	Kelly Tivnan	2009
School District Treasurer	Dorothy Reynolds	2009
School District Moderator		
Trustee of the Trust Funds	Darlene McEwan Kelly Tivnan Sandra Bruedle	2009 2010 2011

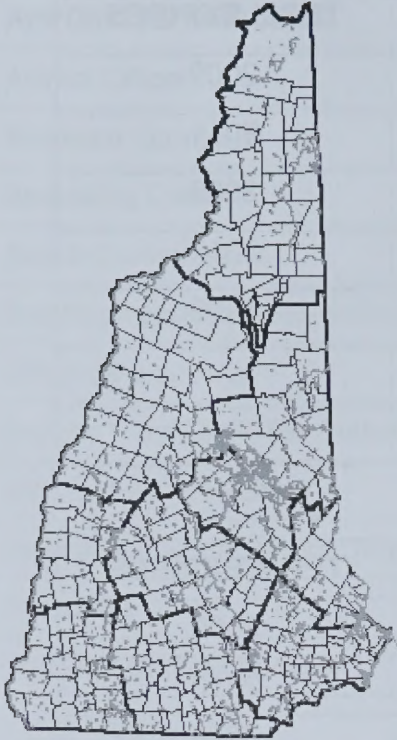
APPOINTED OFFICIALS	
Animal Officer	Stacey Cole
Assessor (contract)	Avitar Associates
Assessing Clerk	Pamela Frazier
Beach Commissioner	David Lundigren
Building Inspector/Code Enforcement	John Mammone
Electrical Inspector	Peter Ciccolini
Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector.	Mikel O'Brien
Deputy Town Treasurer	Joann Borman
Emergency Management Director	Joe Curtin
Fire Chief	Mike Laughy
Highway Dept. Supervisor	Rick Washburn
Forest Fire Warden	Ryan Dionne Mike Laughy
Deputy Forest Fire Warden	June Brown
Police Chief	Randy Sobel
Police Sgt.	David Hall/Stacy Gilman
Police Training Officer	Sean O'Reilly
Park Director	Vacant
Recreation Director (children's parties)	Darlene Marquis
Rescue Capt.	Andrea Bowden
Rescue Lt.	David Silbernagel
Lt. Fire Training Officer	Lon Berry
Selectmen's Admin. Asst./Secretary/Bookkeeper	Dorothy Reynolds
Selectmen's Admin. Asst. Deputy	Pam Frazier
Town Administrator	Anthony F Simon
Welfare Director	Dawn Marie Jarrell

PLANNING BOARD	TERM EXPIRES
Jack Savage, Chairperson	2009
Mark Stevens, Vice Chairperson	2011
Roger Mains, Selectmen's Rep.	2009
Kathryn Buzard	2011
Gilman Pond	2009
Amanda Page (alternate)	
Randy Talon (alternate)	

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT	TERM EXPIRES
Joseph Branca, Chairperson	2009
Alfred Poulin, Vice Chairperson	2010
Lou Vita, Clerk	2010
Richard Chamberlain	2009
Linda Adamo	
John Mullen, Jr. (alternate)	
Neil Turner (alternate)	

CONSERVATION COMMISSION	TERM EXPIRES
Kathryn Buzard, Chairperson	2010
Carol Vita	2011
Roger Mains, Rep of Selectmen	
Neil Turner (alternate)	

COMMUNITY PROFILE



Middleton, NH

Established: 1794

Population: 1,760 (2006)

Community Contact	Middleton Board of Selectmen Board of Selectmen 182 King's Highway Middleton, NH 03887
Telephone	(603) 473-2261
Fax	(603) 473-2577
E-mail	midsel@worldpath.net
Web Site	not available
Municipal Office Hours	Selectmen: Monday through Thursday, 8 am - 4 pm; Town Clerk/Tax Collector: Monday, 1 pm - 7 pm and Tuesday through Thursday, 9 am - 3 pm
County	Strafford
Labor Market Area	Rochester-Dover NH-ME Metro-NECTA, NH Portion
Tourism Region	Lakes
Planning Commission	Strafford Regional
Regional Development	Wentworth Economic Development Corp.
Election Districts	
US Congress	District 1
Executive Council	District 2
State Senate	District 3
State Representative	Strafford County District 3

Incorporated: 1778

Origin: This territory was first granted by the Masonian Proprietors in 1749. It may have been named for Sir Charles Middleton, Lord Barham, an admiral of the Navy who had served in the West Indies. Middleton was situated on the road between Exeter and Wolfeboro, the location of Governor John Wentworth's summer home, Kingswood. Neglect of the road caused the Governor to bill the proprietors for repairs that he had to make for safe travel to Kingswood. In 1785, residents of the northern portion of Middleton and part of Wolfeboro petitioned for a separately incorporated town. The first petition was at first denied, but then was granted in 1794 as Brookfield.

Economic & Labor Market Information Bureau, NH Employment Security, 2007. Community Response Received 09/05/07

Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 617 residents in 1790

Population Trends: Population change for Middleton totaled 1,190 over 50 years, from 255 in 1950 to 1,445 in 2000. The largest decennial percent change was a 71 percent increase between 1970 and 1980, which was followed by a 66 percent increase between 1980 and 1990. The 2006 Census estimate for Middleton was 1,760 residents, which ranked 150th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and towns.

Population Density, 2006: 97.4 persons per square mile of land area. Middleton contains 18.1 square miles of land area and 0.4 square miles of inland water area.

MUNICIPAL SERVICES

Type of Government	Selectmen
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2003	\$1,453,128
Budget: School Appropriations	not available
Zoning Ordinance	1981/07
Master Plan	1983
Capitol Improvement Plan	Yes
Industrial Plans Reviewed By Boards and Commissions	Planning Board
Elected:	Selectmen
Appointed:	Planning; Conservation
Public Library	No Library

EMERGENCY SERVICES

Police Department	Full-time	
Fire Department	Volunteer	
Town Fire Insurance Rating	9	
Emergency Medical Service	Volunteer	
Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance	Staffed Beds
Huggins Hospital, Wolfeboro	10 miles	25
Frisbie Memorial, Rochester	15 miles	112

UTILITIES

Electric Supplier	PSNH
Natural Gas Supplier	None
Water Supplier	Private wells
Sanitation	Private septic
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant	No
Solid Waste Disposal	
Curbside Trash Pickup	Municipal
Pay-As-You-Throw Program	No
Recycling	None
Telephone Company	Verizon
Cellular Telephone Access	Yes
Cable Television Access	Yes
Public Access Television Station	No
High Speed Internet Service:	
Business	Yes
Residential	Yes

PROPERTY TAXES

(NH Dept. of Revenue Administration)

2006 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$16.30
2006 Equalization Ratio	100

Town of Middleton

DEMOGRAPHICS

(US Census Bureau)

Total Population	Community	County
2006	1,760	119,990
2000	1,445	112,676
1990	1,220	104,348
1980	734	85,324
1970	430	70,431

Census 2000 Demographics

Population by Gender		
Male	757	Female 683

Population by Age Group

Under age 5	108
Age 5 to 19	344
Age 20 to 34	220
Age 35 to 54	506
Age 55 to 64	113
Age 65 and over	149
Median Age	36.6 years

Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over

High school graduate or higher	77.3%
Bachelor's degree or higher	8.0%

ANNUAL INCOME, 1999

(US Census Bureau)

Per capita income	\$18,415
Median 4-person family income	\$48,529
Median household income	\$43,942

Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers

Male	\$32,014
Female	\$26,336

Families below the poverty level	4.5%
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LABOR FORCE

(NHES - ELMI)

Annual Average	1996	2006
Civilian Labor Force	731	955
Employed	688	923
Unemployed	43	32
Unemployment Rate	5.9%	3.4%

EMPLOYMENT & WAGES

(NHES - ELMI)

Annual Average Covered Employment	1996	2006
Goods Producing Industries		

2006 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value) **\$16.35**

2006 Percent of Local Assessed Value by Property Type

Residential Land and Buildings **96.4%**
Commercial Land and Buildings **2.2%**
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other **1.4%**

HOUSING (NH Office of Energy and Planning)

2006 Total Housing Units **944**
2006 Single-Family Units **829**
Single-Family Permits Issued, Net Change of Units **15**
2006 Multi-Family Units **20**
Multi-Family Permits Issued, Net Change of Units **0**
2006 Manufactured Housing Units **95**

Average Employment **n 9**
Average Weekly Wage **n \$541**
Service Providing Industries
Average Employment **n 112**
Average Weekly Wage **n \$815**
Total Private Industry
Average Employment **n 121**
Average Weekly Wage **n \$795**
Government (Federal, State, and Local)
Average Employment **18 15**
Average Weekly Wage **\$147 \$462**
Total, Private plus Government
Average Employment **n 136**
Average Weekly Wage **n \$758**
n = indicates that the data does not meet disclosure standards

TRANSPORTATION (Distance estimated from city / town hall)

Road Access US Routes
State Routes **153**
Nearest Interstate, Exit **Spaulding Tpk., Exit 18; I-95, Exit 5**
Distance **5 miles; 34 miles**

Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation

Skyhaven, Rochester

Runway **4,001 ft. asphalt**
Lighted? **Yes** Navigational Aids? **Yes**
Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service

Pease International Distance **33 miles**
Number of Passsenger Airlines Serving Airport **2**

Driving distance to selected cities:

Manchester, NH **57 miles**
Portland, ME **62 miles**
Boston, MA **89 miles**
New York City, NY **300 miles**
Montreal, Quebec **270 miles**

COMMUTING TO WORK (US Census)

Workers 16 years and over
Drove alone, car/truck/van **78.7%**
Carpooled, car/truck/van **13.5%**
Public transportation **1.5%**
Walked **1.7%**
Other Means **1.2%**
Worked at home **3.5%**
Mean Travel Time to Work **35.9 minutes**
Percent of Working Residents:
Working in community of residence **10%**
Commuting to another NH community **82%**
Commuting out-of-state **8%**

RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS

X Municipal Parks
YMCA/YWCA
Boys Club/Girls Club
Golf Courses
Swimming: Indoor Facility
Swimming: Outdoor Facility
Tennis Courts: Indoor Facility
Tennis Courts: Outdoor Facility
Ice Skating Rink: Indoor Facility
Bowling Facilities
Museums
Cinemas
Performing Arts Facilities
Tourists Attractions
Youth Organizations (i.e., Scouts, 4-H)
Youth Sports: Baseball
Youth Sports: Soccer
Youth Sports: Football
Youth Sports: Basketball
Youth Sports: Hockey
Campgrounds
X Fishing/Hunting
X Boating/Marinas
X Snowmobile Trails
Bicycle Trails
Cross Country Skiing
X Beach or Waterfront Recreational Area
Overnight or Day Camps

Nearest Ski Area(s): **Gunstock**

Other:

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

To the People of Middleton:

This year was one of change and accomplishment. Newly elected Selectman John Mullen was sworn in for a three-year term. Roger Mains was elected as Board Chair and Todd LaPierre completed his second year of service.

The Board focused on several fronts including updating communication and office equipment. That included the replacement of outdated computers in the Police Department, Planning Board, and Town Clerk's office. Due to the hard work of Selectmen LaPierre and Mullen, the telephone system update continued with the installation of fiber cable between all town facilities and the approval of the overall equipment plan. This project should be completed this year. The new system will provide better service to the public and communication between departments. Establishment of a town website continued to move forward by securing a new domain name: *middleton-nh.gov*. The website installation is moving forward and is scheduled for completion this year.

Replacements were secured for several vacant town positions. Town Administrator Paul Skowron resigned in September to take another position. After a search, our new administrator, Tony Simon, began work on December 1st. Town Treasurer Sue Evans-Principe resigned, and we appointed Leah Proulx. We also had changes in code enforcement, and John Mammone became our new Code Enforcement Officer. The Welfare Director also resigned, and Dawn Marie Jarrell was appointed to fill that position. We also formalized our Beach Commissioner's authority to manage the Town Beach.

Following the request at last year's Town Meeting, a Fire Station study was completed to describe the state of the Fire Station and what is needed to bring it into compliance and within safety standards.

Under the direction of Chairman Mains, the Board began working on procuring a telecommunications tower located within Middleton to bring in some revenue and provide better communications for the entire town. This project continues to move forward.

The police station was completely refurbished, largely through the efforts of Selectman Mullen, and now provides a more efficient facility for our officers and employees. We approved Earthtenders as the organization to provide the town with a yard waste recycling facility.

Two engineering road projects were started. Deer Run Road engineering was completed late in the year and construction is scheduled for 2009. The Sunrise Estates Drainage project was engineered in September, and the first phase of construction will be put to a vote at this year's Town Meeting.

Middleton Board of Selectmen

Roger Mains
Todd LaPierre
John Mullen

WARRANT FOR TOWN MEETING 2009
State of New Hampshire, County of Strafford
Town of Middleton

To the inhabitants of the Town of Middleton, in said state and county, qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Middleton Town Hall on Tuesday the 10th day of March in the year 2009 at eleven o'clock in the forenoon (11:00 AM), with polls not closing before seven o'clock in the evening (7:00 PM), to act upon the following:

Article 1: To choose all necessary officers for the stated terms:

- Selectman for three (3) years
- Town Treasurer for three (3) years
- Supervisor of the Checklist for six (6) years
- Trustee of Trust Funds for one (1) year

You are hereby further notified to meet at the Middleton Town Hall on Saturday the 14th day of March in the year 2009 at eleven o'clock in the forenoon (11:00 AM) to act on the following articles:

Article 2: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four hundred eighty three thousand six hundred seventy five dollars (\$483,675) for General Government as follows:

	<u>Recommended By Selectmen</u>	<u>Recommended by Budget Committee</u>
Executive	\$ 111,146	\$ 111,146
Election, Regis., Vitals	\$ 17,700	\$ 17,700
Financial Admin.	\$ 37,737	\$ 37,737
Assessing Service	\$ 28,025	\$ 28,025
Legal Expense	\$ 10,500	\$ 10,500
Personnel Admin.	\$ 199,817	\$ 199,817
Planning & Zoning	\$ 9,000	\$ 9,000
Conservation Comm.	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000
Gen. Gov't. Buildings	\$ 40,300	\$ 40,300
Insurance	\$ 24,950	\$ 24,950
Debt Service	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,500
TOTALS	\$ 483,675	\$ 483,675

Article 3: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred two thousand three hundred forty eight dollars (\$302,348) for Public Safety as follows:

	<u>Recommended By Selectmen</u>	<u>Recommended by Budget Committee</u>
Police	\$ 241,972	\$ 241,972
Fire & Rescue	\$ 48,376	\$ 48,376
Emergency Management	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000
County Dispatch	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000
TOTALS	\$ 302,348	\$ 302,348

Article 4: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred sixty eight thousand four hundred thirty four dollars (\$368,434) for Highways, Streets, Bridges and Street Lighting as follows:

	<u>Recommended By Selectmen</u>	<u>Recommended by Budget Committee</u>
Highway (Highway Block Grant/Revenue offset)	\$ 347,434	\$ 347,434
Street Lighting	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000
School Diesel (School Diesel offsetting revenue)	\$ 16,000	\$ 16,000
TOTALS	\$ 368,434	\$ 368,434

Article 5: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred eighty four thousand five hundred fifty dollars (\$184,550) for Health, Welfare and Education as follows:

	<u>Recommended By Selectmen</u>	<u>Recommended by Budget Committee</u>
Code Enforcement	\$ 9,700	\$ 9,700
Animal Control	\$ 8,180	\$ 8,180
Health Agencies	\$ 5,350	\$ 5,350
Welfare	\$ 26,200	\$ 26,200
Solid Waste Coll.	\$ 135,120	\$ 135,120
TOTALS	\$ 184,550	\$ 184,550

Article 6: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three thousand dollars (\$3,000) for Culture and Recreation as follows:

	<u>Recommended By Selectmen</u>	<u>Recommended by Budget Committee</u>
Beach Maintenance	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000
Children's Parties	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000
TOTALS	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000

Article 7: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty nine thousand dollars (\$29,000) to purchase a new four wheel drive vehicle for the Police Department and to authorize the withdrawal of twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000) from the existing Police Cruiser capital reserve fund for this purchase. The balance of seventeen thousand dollars (\$17,000) is to come from taxation. (Majority vote required.)

Article 8: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred twenty five thousand dollars (\$125,000) from the fund balance of the general fund for the purpose of shimming and paving New Portsmouth Road and Governors Road. No amount is to be raised from taxation as this expenditure was approved at the 2008 Town Meeting (Article 18) but the work could not be completed during the year. This is a non-lapsing appropriation pursuant to RSA 32:7 VI and will not lapse until the work is completed or December 31, 2014, whichever is sooner. (Majority vote required.)

Recommended by Board of Selectmen

Recommended by Budget Committee

Article 9: To see if the town will vote to establish a capital reserve fund under the provisions of New Hampshire RSA 35:1 for the purpose of replacing Highway Department vehicles, to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be placed in this fund and to appoint the selectmen as agents to make expenditures from this fund. (Majority vote required.)

Recommended by Board of Selectmen

Recommended by Budget Committee

Article 10: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be placed in the existing fire truck capital reserve fund. (Majority vote required.)

Recommended by Board of Selectmen

Recommended by Budget Committee

Article 11: To see if the town will vote to establish a non-capital reserve fund under the provisions of New Hampshire RSA 35:1-c for the purpose of leasing a ballot counting machine for the 2012 presidential election, to raise and appropriate the sum of four hundred dollars (\$400) to be placed in this fund and to appoint the selectmen as agents to make expenditures from this fund. This article is a request from the Town Clerk/Tax Collector. (Majority vote required.)

Recommended by Board of Selectmen

Recommended by Budget Committee

Article 12: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three thousand five hundred seventy five dollars (\$3,575) from the fund balance of the general fund to complete the installation of an emergency electrical power system for the municipal building to insure that town offices, including Emergency Management and the Police Department, can continue to operate during power outages. No amount is to be raised from taxation as this expenditure was approved by the 2008 Town Meeting (Article 19) but the work could not be finished during the year. (Majority vote required.)

Article 13: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two thousand dollars (\$2,000) to be added to the existing trust fund established for the purpose of treating exotic milfoil and other exotic aquatic weeds. (Majority vote required.)

Recommended by Board of Selectmen

Recommended by Budget Committee

Article 14: To see if the town will vote to establish a capital reserve fund under the provisions of New Hampshire RSA 35:1 for the purpose of revaluing the town in future years, to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be placed in this fund and to appoint the selectmen as agents to make expenditures from this fund. (Majority vote required.)

Recommended by Board of Selectmen

Recommended by Budget Committee

Article 15: To see if the town will vote to establish a capital reserve under the provisions of New Hampshire RSA 35:1 for the purpose of reconstructing the drainage at Sunrise Estates, to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty five thousand dollars (\$25,000) to be placed in this fund and to appoint the selectmen as agents to make expenditures from this fund. (Majority vote required.)

Recommended by Board of Selectmen

Recommended by Budget Committee

Article 16: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate up to ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) for the purpose of designing a septic system, purchasing plans and performing preliminary site work for a new six bay highway garage with salt and mixing sheds and to authorize the withdrawal of said sum from the existing Highway Department trust fund. This garage is to be located on the town owned property on Ridge Road. No amount is to be raised from taxation. (Majority vote required.)

Article 17: To see if the town will vote to establish a capital reserve fund under the provisions of New Hampshire RSA 35:1 for the purpose of repairing and rehabilitating the Town Hall, to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to be placed in this fund and to appoint the selectmen as agents to make expenditures from this fund. (Majority vote required.)

Recommended by Board of Selectmen

Recommended by Budget Committee

Article 18: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred twenty five thousand dollars (\$125,000) for the purpose of road maintenance and reconstruction including the reconstruction of Lakeshore Drive, culvert replacement on Shore Drive and tree removal on Kings Highway. This is a non-lapsing appropriation pursuant to RSA 32:7 VI and will not lapse until the work is completed or December 31, 2014, whichever is sooner. (Majority vote required.)

Recommended by Board of Selectmen

Recommended by Budget Committee

Article 19: To see if the town will vote to appoint the selectmen as agents to make expenditures from the following existing capital reserve and trust funds:

- Fire Department Addition Capital Reserve (established in 1989)
- Fire Truck Capital Reserve (established in 2006)
- Public Safety Building Capital Reserve (established in 2006)
- Highway Department Trust Fund (established in 1989)
- Police Cruiser Capital Reserve (established in 1997)
(Majority vote required.)

Article 20: To see if the town will vote to close the Revaluation ETF Trust Fund, such closure to be effective in the year 1999. This account was established at the 1999 Town Meeting (Article 7) and has no balance. This article is a request from the Trustees of Trust Funds. (Majority vote required.)

Article 21: To see if the town will vote to close the Police Cruiser PRF Trust Fund, such closure to be effective in the year 1987. This fund was established at the 1987 Town Meeting (Article 14) and has no balance. This article is a request from the Trustees of Trust funds. (Majority vote required.)

Article 22: To see if the town will vote to establish a capital reserve fund under the provisions of New Hampshire RSA 35:1 for the purpose of paying expenses caused by natural and man made disasters that may occur in the town, to raise and appropriate the sum of two thousand dollars (\$2,000) to be placed in this fund and to appoint the selectmen as agents to make expenditures from this fund. This article is a recommendation of the Budget Committee. (Majority vote required.)

Recommended by Board of Selectmen

Recommended by Budget Committee

Article 23: To see if the town will vote to (1) establish five at-large members of the official budget committee that was adopted at the 2008 Town Meeting, (2) determine that these at-large members will be elected rather than appointed, (3) establish initial terms for the at-large members who will be elected at the 2010 Town Meeting as follows:

- One (1) at-large member for a term of one year,
- Two (2) at-large members for terms of two years each, and
- Two (2) at large members for terms of three years each.

and, at the expiration of these initial terms, each at-large member will thereafter be elected for a three year term and, (4) authorize the Moderator to appoint five at-large members to serve until the election in 2010.
(Majority vote required.)

Article 24: And to transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hand and seal this 23rd day of February 2009.
By the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Middleton,

Roger Mains, Chair

Todd LaPierre, Selectman

John Mullen, Jr., Selectman

BUDGET OF TOWN: (MS-7 FORM)

MS-7 Budget - Town of MIDDLETON FY 2009

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	OP Bud. Warr. Ari.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year (RECOMMENDED) (NOT RECOMMENDED)		BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year RECOMMENDED NOT RECOMMENDED	
	GENERAL GOVERNMENT		XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
4130-4139	Executive	7	97011	92063	111146		111146	
4140-4149	Election,Reg.& Vital Statistics	7	18410	20779	17700		17700	
4150-4151	Financial Administration	7	36197	34446	37737		37737	
4152	Revaluation of Property	7	44570	43023	28025		28025	
4153	Legal Expense	7	12000	10813	10500		10500	
4155-4159	Personnel Administration	7	195676	153277	199817		199817	
4191-4193	Planning & Zoning	7	11042	6560	9000		9000	
4194	General Government Buildings	7	40700	42199	40300		40300	
4195	Cemeteries							
4196	Insurance	7	24867	22775	24950		24950	
4197	Advertising & Regional Assoc.							
4199	Other General Government							
	PUBLIC SAFETY		XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
4210-4214	Police	8	246708	279873	241972		241972	
4215-4219	Ambulance	8	6700	3946	4200		4200	
4220-4229	Fire	8	36791	35021	44176		44176	
4240-4249	Building Inspection	10	13420	6732	9790		9790	
4290-4298	Emergency Management	8	100	0	2000		2000	
4299	Other (Including Communications)		9988	0	10000		10000	
	AIRPORT/AVIATION CENTER		XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
4301-4309	Airport Operations							
	HIGHWAYS & STREETS		XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
4311	Administration	9	337956	334960	347434		347434	
4312	Highways & Streets							
4313	Bridges							

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
ACCT.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	OP Bud.	Appropriations	Actual	SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS		BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS	
		Warr.	Prior Year As	Expenditures	Ensuing Fiscal Year		Ensuing Fiscal Year	
		Art.#	Approved by DRA	Prior Year	(RECOMMENDED)	(NOT RECOMMENDED)	RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
HIGHWAYS & STREETS cont.			XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
4316	Street Lighting	9	4000	4756	5000		5000	
4319	Other	9	11000	20634	16000		16000	
SANITATION			XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
4321	Administration	10	135697	125674	135120		135120	
4323	Solid Waste Collection							
4324	Solid Waste Disposal							
4325	Solid Waste Clean-up							
4326-4329	Sewage Coll. & Disposal & Other							
WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT			XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
4331	Administration							
4332	Water Services							
4335-4339	Water Treatment, Conserv. & Other							
ELECTRIC			XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
4351-4352	Admin. and Generation							
4353	Purchase Costs							
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance							
4359	Other Electric Costs							
HEALTH/WELFARE			XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
4411	Administration							
4414	Pest Control	10	8865	7926	8180		8180	
4415-4419	Health Agencies & Hosp. & Other	10	6987	4987	5350		5350	
4441-4442	Administration & Direct Assist.	10	24100	22579	26200		26200	
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Pymnts							
4445-4449	Vendor Payments & Other							

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ACCT.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	OP Bud. Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year (RECOMMENDED) (NOT RECOMMENDED)		BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year RECOMMENDED NOT RECOMMENDED	
CULTURE & RECREATION			XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX
4520-4529	Parks & Recreation	11	4000	1681	3000		3000	
4550-4559	Library							
4583	Patriotic Purposes							
4589	Other Culture & Recreation							
CONSERVATION			XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX
4611-4612	Admin.& Purch. of Nat. Resources							
4619	Other Conservation	7	2000	604	2000		2000	
4631-4632	REDEVELOPMNT & HOUSING							
4651-4659	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT							
DEBT SERVICE			XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX
4711	Princ.- Long Term Bonds & Notes							
4721	Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes							
4723	Int. on Tax Anticipation Notes	7	4500	1087	2500		2500	
4790-4799	Other Debt Service							
CAPITAL OUTLAY			XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX
4901	Land							
4902	Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment							
4903	Buildings							
4909	Improvements Other Than Bldgs.							
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT			XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX
4912	To Special Revenue Fund							
4913	To Capital Projects Fund							
4914	To Enterprise Fund							
	Sewer-							
	Water-							

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ACCT.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	OP Bud. Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year (RECOMMENDED) (NOT RECOMMENDED)		BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year RECOMMENDED NOT RECOMMENDED	
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT cont.			XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX
	Electric-							
	Airport-							
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund *							
4916	To Exp.Tr.Fund-except #4917 *							
4917	To Health Maint. Trust Funds *							
4918	To Nonexpendable Trust Funds							
4919	To Fiduciary Funds							
OPERATING BUDGET TOTAL			1333285	1276395	1342097		1342097	

0.7%

* Use special warrant article section on next page.

****SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES****

Special warrant articles are defined in RSA 32:3, VI, as appropriations: 1) in petitioned warrant articles; 2) appropriations raised by bonds or notes; 3) appropriations to a separate fund created pursuant to law, such as capital reserve funds or trusts funds; or 4) an appropriation designated on the warrant as a special article or as a nonlapsing or nontransferable article.

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ACCT.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year (RECOMMENDED) (NOT RECOMMENDED)		BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year RECOMMENDED NOT RECOMMENDED	
	Hwy Dept Vehicle CRF				10000		10000	
	TC Voting Machine CRF				400		400	
	OTH Renevation				5000		5000	
	Sunrise Estates Drain Project				25000		25000	
	Town Revaluation CRF				10000		10000	
4900-05	Milfoil CRF	15	5000	650	2000		2000	
4900-11	Fire Dept Truck Repl CRF				10000		10000	
SPECIAL ARTICLES RECOMMENDED			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	62400	XXXXXXXXXX	62400	XXXXXXXXXX

****INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES****

"Individual" warrant articles are not necessarily the same as "special warrant articles". An example of an individual warrant article might be negotiated cost items for labor agreements, leases or items of a one time nature you wish to address individually.

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ACCT.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year (RECOMMENDED) (NOT RECOMMENDED)		BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year RECOMMENDED NOT RECOMMENDED	
4900-01	Road Paving	18	125000	0	125000		125000	
4900-21	Emergency Generator	19	10000	6425	3575		3575	
4900-12	MPD Police Cruiser		12000	12000	17000		17000	
	Road Maint Lakeshore 09				125000		125000	
4900-17	Highway Vehicle	16	125000	125000				
4900-19	Fire Dept Bldg Improvements	13	15000	0				
4900-20	New Durham Road Const	17	150000	150000				
INDIVIDUAL ARTICLES RECOMMENDED			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	270575	XXXXXXXXXX	270575	XXXXXXXXXX

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ACCT.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year
TAXES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3120	Land Use Change Taxes - General Fund				
3180	Resident Taxes				
3185	Timber Taxes		5000	1395	1500
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes				
3189	Other Taxes		9000		
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes		29000	2600	
	Inventory Penalties				
3187	Excavation Tax (\$.02 cents per cu yd)				
LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3210	Business Licenses & Permits				
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		240000	235521	230000
3230	Building Permits		5000	7717	7000
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees		4000	6678	6000
3311-3319	FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT				
FROM STATE			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3351	Shared Revenues		8000	7662	7000
3352	Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution		63000	83207	75000
3353	Highway Block Grant		51824	51659	49000
3354	Water Pollution Grant				
3355	Housing & Community Development				
3356	State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement				
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement				
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)		14831	14831	25000
3379	FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS				
CHARGES FOR SERVICES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3401-3406	Income from Departments		20000	28395	20000
3409	Other Charges				
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3501	Sale of Municipal Property		1000	3133	1000
3502	Interest on Investments		25000	12503	12000
3503-3509	Other		4000	0	0
INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3912	From Special Revenue Funds				
3913	From Capital Projects Funds				

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ACCT.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year
INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN cont.			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3914	From Enterprise Funds				
	Sewer - (Offset)				
	Water - (Offset)				
	Electric - (Offset)				
	Airport - (Offset)				
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds		15000	15133	22000
3916	From Trust & Fiduciary Funds				
3917	Transfers from Conservation Funds				
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3934	Proc. from Long Term Bonds & Notes		250000		
	Amounts VOTED From F/B ("Surplus")				128575
	Fund Balance ("Surplus") to Reduce Taxes				50000
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE & CREDITS			744655	470434	634075

****BUDGET SUMMARY****

	PRIOR YEAR ADOPTED BUDGET	SELECTMEN'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET	BUDGET COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET
Operating Budget Appropriations Recommended (from pg. 5)	1333285	1342097	1342097
Special Warrant Articles Recommended (from pg. 6)	5000	62400	62400
Individual Warrant Articles Recommended (from pg. 6)	437000	270575	270575
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	1775285	1675072	1675072
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits (from above)	744655	634075	634075
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	1030630	1040997	1040997

Maximum Allowable Increase to Budget Committee's Recommended Budget per RSA 32:18: _____
(See Supplemental Schedule With 10% Calculation)

EMPLOYEE EARNINGS 2008

Todd LaPierre, Selectmen	\$ 2,163.00	Peter Cicolini, Electrical Insp.	\$ 551.65
John Mullen, Selectmen	\$ 1,622.25	Mike Laughy, Fire Chief	\$ 1,500.00
Lucien Vita, Selectmen	\$ 540.75	Lon Berry, Lt. Fire	\$ 832.42
Paul Skowron, Town Adm.	\$32,465.51	David Silbernagel, Lt. EMS	\$ 873.02
Tony Simon, Town Adm.	\$ 3,120.00	Andrea Bowden, Capt. EMS	\$ 913.78
Dorothy Reynolds, Admin. Asst.	\$26,732.36	Mike Laviolette, Firefighter	\$ 402.27
Pam Frazier, Assessing Clerk	\$ 7,186.37	Jeff Roub, Capt. Fire	\$ 826.66
Susan Evans-Principe, Treasurer	\$ 1,580.94	June Brown, Traffic Control	\$ 317.42
Leah Proulx, Treasurer	\$ 599.40	Terri Laughy, EMS	\$ 253.48
Deborah O'Toole, T Clerk/T Coll.	\$21,795.72	Nicole Lefebvre, EMS	\$ 82.80
Mikel O'Brien, Dep. T Clk/T Coll	\$ 5,217.50	Eric Parker, Firefighter/EMS	\$ 312.72
Chelsea Trefethen, Dep. T Clerk	\$ 477.00	Laura Parker, Firefighter/EMS	\$ 404.54
Wendy Smith, Welfare Dir.	\$ 2,024.00	Scott Bowden, Firefighter	\$ 110.45
Dawn Marie Hutchins, Welfare Dir	\$ 1,872.65	Ryan Dionne, Firefighter	\$ 411.51
Carmen Nolen, Police Secretary	\$ 7,389.75	Lisa Dore, EMS	\$ 100.00
Randy Sobel, Police Chief	\$55,532.41	Mike McKay, Firefighter	\$ 202.27
David Hall, Sergeant	\$54,885.28	Chris Liberie, Firefighter	\$ 308.02
Stacy Gilman, Sergeant	\$42,762.18	Josh Biron, Firefighter	\$ 409.24
Sean O'Reilly, Full Time Officer	\$49,969.23	Brock Griffin, Firefighter	\$ 31.97
Timothy Brown, Part-Time Officer	\$ 7,800.94	Jake Bourdeau, Firefighter	\$ 1,000.00
Wade Bartlett, Part-Time Officer	\$ 3,231.55	Josh Yates, Firefighter	\$ 231.36
David Winship, Part-Time Officer	\$ 4,741.24	Karen Poisson, EMS	\$ 437.12
Rick Washburn, Road Agent	\$43,549.22	Matt Chesley, Firefighter	\$ 38.94
Robert Page, Highway	\$36,241.19	Joni vanGelder, PB Clerk	\$ 1,830.00
Dale Glidden, Highway	\$34,553.69	Lucien Vita, ZBA Clerk	\$ 900.00
Peter Masse, Jr., Highway	\$32,635.10	Kathleen Allfrey, Supervisor	\$ 680.00
Scott Pike, Highway Part-Time	\$ 372.36	JoAnn Bormann, Supervisor	\$ 460.00
Edward Brannan, Highway P-T	\$ 1,687.50	Dorothy Reynolds, Supervisor	\$ 680.00
Stacey Cole, ACO	\$ 3,616.00	Lester Kimball, Maintenance	\$ 579.04
Lisa Dudley, ACO	\$ 484.00	Darlene Cremen, Cleaning	\$ 1,845.00
Arthur Capello, Code Enforcement	\$ 4,365.84		
John Mammone, Code Enforcement	\$ 477.30		

SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION 2008

<u>VALUE OF LAND ONLY</u>	<u>ACRES</u>	<u>ASSESSED VALUE</u>
Current Use	5,861.545	\$525,179
Residential	4,047.182	\$74,161,200
Commercial/Industrial	229.899	\$1,184,400
Total of Taxable Land	10,138.626	\$75,870,779
Tax Exempt/Non-Taxable Land	944.617	\$4,459,200

VALUE OF BUILDINGS ONLY

Residential	\$90,329,616
Manufactured Housing	\$7,729,600
Commercial/Industrial	\$3,457,200
Total of Taxable Buildings	\$101,527,000
Tax Exempt/Non-Taxable	\$1,009,600

PUBLIC UTILITIES

PSNH	\$2,792,100
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<u>VALUATION BEFORE EXEMPTIONS</u>	\$180,189,879
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MODIFIED ASSESSED VALUATION OF ALL PROPERTIES

Blind Exemptions	\$15,000
Elderly Exemptions	\$155,000
Total Dollar Amount of Exemptions	\$170,000

Net Valuation on which Tax Rate for Municipal, County & Local Education Tax is computed	\$180,019,879
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Net Valuation without Utilities on which Tax Rate for State Education Tax is computed	\$177,227,779
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ELDERLY EXEMPTION REPORT

	<u>Age</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Max. Allowable Exemption</u>	<u>Total Actual Exemption</u>
Number of Individuals				
Granted an Elderly	65-74	1	\$15,000	\$15,000
Exemption	75-79	2	\$40,000	\$40,000
	80+	4	\$100,000	\$100,000
TOTAL:		7		\$155,000

CURRENT USE REPORT

	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Assessed Valuation</u>
Farm Land	102.750	\$40,719
Forest Land	2,964.750	\$373,995
Forest Land w/ Stewardship Plan	2,413.685	\$105,242
Unproductive Land	63.000	\$756
Wet Land	317.360	\$4,467
TOTAL:	5,861.545	\$525,179

SUNRISE LAKE VILLAGE DISTRICT VALUATION

<u>VALUE OF LAND ONLY</u>	<u>ACRES</u>	<u>ASSESSED VALUE</u>
Current Use	369.265	\$59,469
Residential	300.462	\$40,679,900
Commercial/Industrial	0	\$0
Total of Taxable Land	669.727	\$40,739,369
Tax Exempt/Non-Taxable Land	27.337	\$1,637,800

VALUE OF BUILDINGS ONLY

Residential	\$709,316
Manufactured Housing	\$632,000
Preservation Easement RSA 79-D	\$10,584
Total of Taxable Buildings	\$37,351,900
Tax Exempt/Non-Taxable	\$122,100

PUBLIC UTILITIES

PSNH	\$207,100
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VALUATION BEFORE EXEMPTIONS	\$78,298,369
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MODIFIED ASSESSED VALUATION OF ALL PROPERTIES

Blind Exemptions	\$15,000
Elderly Exemptions	\$25,000
Total Dollar Amount of Exemptions	\$40,000

Net Valuation on which the tax rate for Municipal County and Local Education Tax is computed	<u>\$78,258,369</u>
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TAX RATE COMPUTATION REPORT

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION

Municipal Services Division
2008 Tax Rate Calculation

TOWN/CITY: MIDDLETON

Gross Appropriations	1,919,385
Less: Revenues	952,779
Less: Shared Revenues	4,384
Add: Overlay	114,217
War Service Credits	44,400

Paula G. Roberts
12/16/08

Net Town Appropriation	1,120,839
Special Adjustment	0

Approved Town/City Tax Effort	1,120,839
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TOWN RATE
5.23

SCHOOL PORTION

Net Local School Budget (Gross Approp. - Revenue)	3,248,578
Regional School Apportionment	0
Less: Adequate Education Grant	(1,249,270)

State Education Taxes	(420,464)
Approved School(s) Tax Effort	1,578,844

LOCAL
SCHOOL RATE
8.77

STATE EDUCATION TAXES

Equalized Valuation (no utilities) x	\$2.14
196,478,510	420,464
Divide by Local Assessed Valuation (no utilities)	
177,227,779	
Excess State Education Taxes to be Remitted to State	
Pay to State →	0

STATE
SCHOOL RATE
2.37

COUNTY PORTION

Due to County	443,063
Less: Shared Revenues	(1,833)

Approved County Tax Effort	441,230
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COUNTY RATE
2.45

TOTAL RATE
19.81

Total Property Taxes Assessed	3,561,377
Less: War Service Credits	(44,400)
Add: Village District Commitment(s)	8,608
Total Property Tax Commitment	3,525,585

PROOF OF RATE

Net Assessed Valuation	Tax Rate	Assessment
State Education Tax (no utilities)	2.37	420,464
All Other Taxes	17.45	3,140,913
		3,561,377

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REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR

Greetings to all my fellow residents:

Well, I sailed through the first year as your elected Town Clerk/Tax Collector unscathed! And, yes, I want you to know that it has been a real pleasure to serve you all.

Most of you have met my new Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector, Mikel Ann O'Brien. She is a bright, pleasant young lady who has been an asset and a compliment to my office. She works in the office on Mondays and Thursdays.

New Developments:

As most of you know by now, the State of NH, Motor Vehicle has issued the new NH driver's licenses and motor vehicle registrations. Same information; different formats. Don't forget – you can renew your registrations on-line with the State of NH at www.egov.nh.gov/comapss with your credit card for a fee of \$5.00 per vehicle.

The date for the Spring Rabies Clinic is Saturday, April 11th, 2009 from 10:00am to 12:00pm.

The 2009 dog tags are in, so you can come in anytime before April 30th to register your dog.

Concord has been promising to get the boat registration incorporated into the new motor vehicle program but has yet to do so. Boat registrations can be done at any State level or can be mailed in directly to Concord with payment. They will mail your decals.

The new "Middleton Bulletin Board", located on the internet at Yahoo.com continues to be a wonderful tool to find out what's going on around town. It's free to join and is maintained at no cost to the town. Mikel continues to monitor the site and keeps it current with reminders and notices.

I wish all of you a happy, healthy and prosperous 2009.

Respectfully,

Deborah L. O'Toole
Town Clerk/Tax Collector

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

January 1 to December 31, 2008

Revenues	Municipal Total	Agent Fees
Motor Vehicle	\$ 235,521.17	\$ 5,777.50
MV Renewals Online	4,932.50	77.50
Boat Permits	00.00	00.00
Hunting/Fishing		18.00
OHRV Registrations		60.00
Total Add'l Revenues	\$ 240,453.67	\$ 5,933.00

Revenues	Municipal Total	Agent Fees
Building/Occupancy Permits	\$ 7,716.50	
Copies	340.32	
Dog Licenses	3,180.50	
Dog Fines	300.00	
Electrical Permits	50.00	
FEMA /Flood	14,831.23	
Fire/Rescue	8,994.08	
Highway Block Grant	51,659.39	
Highway Department	20.00	
Junk Yard Permits	50.00	
Planning Board	.00	
Police Department	28,395.00	
School District Diesel	27,213.30	
Sale of Municipal Property	632.00	
Town Hall Rental	150.00	
UCC Filing Fee	420.00	
Vitals	973.00	
Zoning Applications	2,236.74	
Other Revenues	36,800.40	
Total Revenues Collected:	\$ 184,092.46	\$ 5,993.00

VITAL RECORDS REPORT

BIRTH REPORT

<u>Child's Name</u>	<u>DOB</u>	<u>Father's Name</u>	<u>Mother's Name</u>
Lynch, Tighe Austin	03/06/2008	Lynch, Timothy	Lynch, Jennifer
Smith, Peter Michael	03/13/2008	Smith, Peter	Smith, Maribeth
Williams, Colvin Rae	05/28/2008	Williams, Douglas	Smith, Lori
Haviland, Cullen John	06/04/2008	Haviland, Eric	Twist-Haviland, Jennifer
Savley, Haley Jean	06/14/2008	Savley, Robert	Savley, Stacy
Smith, Savannah Rose	06/14/2008	Smith, Troy	Brownell-Smith, Rebecca
Ferris, William Alexander	06/18/2008	Ferris, Francis	Ferris, Lynn
Snell, Blake Denim	06/23/2008	Snell, Matthew	Vannatten, Richelle
Rogers, James Richard	06/24/2008	Rogers, Adam	Rogers, Lisa
Syvinski, Jayde Rose	06/27/2008	Syvinski, Justin	Langley, Ashley
Quinney, Allison Mae	08/25/2008	Quinney, James	Quinney, Elisha
Vancini, Taylor Jean	09/11/2008	Vancini, Joseph	Prosper, Sheri
Guay, Landon August	11/11/2008	Guay, Stephen	Guay, Leslie
Best, Vivian Marie	11/25/2008	Best, Jason	Best, Celeste
Wallace, Jaylynn Marie	11/26/2008	Wallace, Robert	Cameron, Melanie

Total Number of Records: 15

RESIDENT DEATH REPORT

<u>Decedent</u>	<u>Date of Death</u>	<u>Place of Death</u>
Currin, James	03/05/2008	Concord, NH
Peckham, Evelene	04/04/2008	Rochester, NH
Cameron, Marion	04/18/2008	Rochester, NH
Dimeo, Clorinda	05/04/2008	Middleton, NH
Campbell, David	07/31/2008	Portsmouth, NH
Aichler, Dorothea	08/06/2008	Middleton, NH
Blackburn, Steven	12/22/2008	Dover, NH

Total Number of Records: 7

MARRIAGE REPORT

<u>Groom's Name</u>	<u>Bride's Name</u>	<u>Place of Marriage</u>	<u>Date</u>
Cormier, Eric E	Smith, Heather M	Rochester, NH	03/30/2008
Smith, Timothy J	Burney, Amber M	Conway, NH	05/08/2008
Spurr, Scott D	Berchiolli, Daphne A	Middleton, NH	04/17/2008
Stevens, Michael J	Lanoue, Christstine J	Middleton, NH	06/07/2008
Glidden, Eric W	Smart, Bobbie Jo	Middleton, NH	08/23/2008
Walsh, James M	Hohler, Deborah F	Middleton, NH	08/23/2008
Dionne, Ryan J	Giguere, Jessica L	Rochester, NH	08/23/2008
Carrier, Brian C	Ring, Holly M	Rochester, NH	09/06/2008
Perkins, Donald A	Huntress, Robin M	Albany, NY	10/02/2008
McClure, Joseph R	Richardson, Kristin E	North Conway, NH	10/25/2008

Total Number of Records: 10

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Last updated 12/31/08

	<u>Dec 31, 2007</u>	<u>Dec. 31, 2008</u>
Uncollected at End of Year		
Prior Year's Taxes	\$ 708,964.17	\$ 735,251.74
Committed:		
Property	2,909,130.00	3,529,741.00
Yield	00.00	1,395.30
Land Use Change Tax	17,000.00	00.00
Overpayments:		
Prior Year's	5,619.17	00.00
New this Fiscal Year	9,302.89	00.00
Interest All Years	22,484.11	23,722.50
TOTAL DEBITS:	\$ 3,672,500.34	\$ 4,290,110.54
Remitted to		
Treasurer:		
Property	\$ 341,659.04	\$ 1,982,691.50
Yield	1,390.32	00.00
Land Use Change Tax	00.00	00.00
Interest	21,053.44	2,599.56
Converted to Liens	128,804.48	00.00
Abatements	209.00	3,188.00
Current Levy Deeded	00.00	00.00
Overpayment Refunds:		
Credits Refunded	00.00	9,708.13
Interest – Late Tax	21,053.44	2,599.56
2007 Overpayments Assigned	4,876.52	00.00
TOTAL CREDITS:	\$ 656,687.92	\$ 2,000,786.75

SUMMARY OF TAX LIENS

DEBITS

Unredeemed beginning of prior year	\$00.00
Liens executed 2007	139,627.23
Interest Collected	4,031.36

TOTAL LIEN DEBITS: \$ 143,658.59

CREDITS

Remitted to Treasurer:

Redemptions	\$ 49,215.01
Interest Collected	4,031.36
Abatements	00.00
Liens deeded to Town	503.46
Unredeemed Liens Prior	89,908.76
Year End	00.00

TOTAL LIEN CREDITS: \$ 143,658.59

TREASURER'S REPORT

Middleton Deposits and Expenses for 2008 1/1/2008 through 12/31/2008

Total Deposits		Total Expenses	
Month of	Amount	Month of	Amount
January	\$ 434,625.01	January	\$ 153,884.65
February	\$ 105,961.85	February	\$ 273,771.60
March	\$ 81,219.24	March	\$ 407,702.84
April	\$ 108,405.16	April	\$ 122,009.32
May	\$ 85,414.26	May	\$ 255,044.14
June	\$ 525,359.52	June	\$ 136,254.42
July	\$ 827,670.66	July	\$ 464,420.26
August	\$ 66,224.59	August	\$ 287,135.35
September	\$ 84,158.59	September	\$ 287,258.22
October	\$ 51,406.06	October	\$ 135,792.76
November	\$ 46,705.71	November	\$ 393,216.70
December	\$ 485,365.60	December	\$ 597,062.60
Total:	\$ 2,902,516.25	Total:	\$ 3,513,552.86

**w/ TAN LINE of CREDIT*

Listed above is a summary of the monthly income and expenses for the Town of Middleton for the year 2008. Due to the tax bills going out later than anticipated, a Tan Line of Credit was taken out in the amount of \$500,000.00 in May to cover our expenditures until anticipated revenues started coming in. The interest on the Line of Credit was 3.24%, which amounted to \$878.79. This was paid on January 7, 2009.

The below is the interest earned on the Sweep Account:

Interest Earnings by Month	Bank Statement	Earnings Credit Rate
January	\$2,378.78	4.00%
February	\$1,879.17	3.19%
March	\$1,279.97	2.54%
April	\$845.04	2.21%
May	\$620.16	2.01%
June	\$691.08	1.91%
July	\$1,755.57	1.88%
August	\$1,442.27	1.78%
September	\$908.45	1.49%
October	\$491.26	.84%
November	\$172.27	.45%
December	\$39.01	.13%
Total Interest Earned:	\$12,503.03	

This has been a challenging year with growing expenses. I thank you and I appreciate the constant support of our Town Administrator and Town Selectmen for keeping our town financially stable.

Leah A. Proulx
Treasurer

TRUSTEE OF THE TRUST FUNDS REPORT

Report of the Trust Funds of the Town of Middleton on December 31, 2008

Date of Creation	Name of Trust Fund	Purpose of Trust Fund	How Invested	%	PRINCIPAL					INCOME					Total Trust Fund End of Year
					Balance Beginning Year	New Funds Created	Cash Gains or (Losses) on Securities	(Withdrawals)	Balance End Year	Balance Beginning Year	INCOME DURING YEAR		Balance End Year		
											Percent	Amount		Expended During Year	
1935	Nani Roberts	CEMETERY CARE	Common Trust	17.2%	202.50				202.50	470.22	32.64%	21.24	-	491.46	693.96
1949	Addie Mae Jones	CEMETERY CARE	Common Trust	23.4%	273.00				273.00	66.26	16.56%	10.70	-	77.04	352.04
1974	Joseph Cook	CEMETERY CARE	Common Trust	34.0%	400.00				400.00	244.57	31.28%	20.37	-	244.94	664.94
1974	William Hanson	CEMETERY CARE	Common Trust	25.5%	300.00				300.00	102.42	19.53%	12.72	-	115.14	415.14
		TOTAL CEMETERY FUNDS		100%	\$ 1,177.50				\$ 1,177.50	\$ 883.46	100%	\$ 65.14	\$ -	\$ 948.60	\$ 2,126.10
1946	Elna Roberts	EDUCATION	Common Trust		100.00				100.00	118.71	15.49%	6.69	-	125.40	225.40
1931	Charles Roberts	LIBRARY	Common Trust		202.50				202.50	990.40	84.51%	36.47	-	1,026.87	1,229.37
		TOTAL LIBRARY AND EDUCATION FUNDS			\$302.50				\$302.50	1,109.11	100%	\$43.16	-	\$1,152.27	\$1,454.77

CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS

1989	Highway Building	CAPITAL RESERVE	Bank deposit		90,000.00				90,000.00	10,755.66		3,186.57		13,942.23	103,942.23
1989	Fire Addition	CAPITAL RESERVE	Bank deposit		16,000.00				16,000.00	4,010.74		637.78		4,647.82	20,647.82
1997	Police Chaser	CAPITAL RESERVE	Bank deposit		161.55	12,000.00			12,161.55	334.71		197.45		552.16	12,713.71
2006	Public Safety Building	CAPITAL RESERVE	Bank deposit		25,000.00				25,000.00	646.34		844.91		1,531.35	26,531.35
2006	Fire Truck	CAPITAL RESERVE	Bank deposit		5,000.00				5,000.00	137.27		168.93		306.20	5,306.20
1992	Middleton School District	CAPITAL RESERVE	Bank deposit		4,981.67				4,981.67	784.63		162.32		966.95	5,948.62
2006	Middleton School - Special Education	CAPITAL RESERVE	Bank deposit		20,000.00				20,000.00	1,615.49		662.05		2,277.54	22,277.54
1987	Sunrise Lake Village District	CAPITAL RESERVE	Bank deposit		6,000.00				6,000.00	3,966.27		315.13		4,281.40	10,281.40
2002	Conservation	CONSERVATION	Bank deposit		11,600.00	5,200.00		8,700.00	8,100.00	445.85		334.36		820.21	9,920.21
		TOTAL CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS			\$178,743.22	\$17,200.00		\$8,700.00	\$187,243.22	\$22,796.96		\$4,524.50		\$29,321.46	\$216,564.68

Report of the Common Trust Fund Investment of the Town of Middleton on December 31, 2008

HOW INVESTED		PRINCIPAL					INCOME				Grand Total of Principal & Income at End of Year
No of Shares or Other Units	Description of Investment	Balance Beginning Year	New Funds Purchases	Gains or (Losses) From Sales	Transfer of Funds	Balance End Year	Balance Beginning Year	Income/ Transferred During Year	Expended/ Transferred During Year	Balance End Year	
	Bank of New Hampshire										
	Acct # 00009731155465	\$ 302.50		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 302.50	\$ 1,109.11	\$ 43.16		\$ 1,152.27	\$ 1,454.77
	Total Common Lib & Education	\$ 302.50		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 302.50	\$ 1,109.11	\$ 43.16	\$ -	\$ 1,152.27	\$ 1,454.77
	Bank of New Hampshire										
	Acct # 00009731155465	\$ 1,177.50		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,177.50	\$ 883.46	\$ 65.14	\$ -	\$ 948.60	\$ 2,126.10
	Total Common Cemetery Funds	\$ 1,177.50	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,177.50	\$ 883.46	\$ 65.14	\$ -	\$ 948.60	\$ 2,126.10

CODE ENFORCEMENT / BUILDING INSPECTIONS

Calendar year 2008 had a slight decrease in building permits, going from 59 in 2007 to 53 this year. Even though permits were down, the number of inspections conducted was about the same. With the economy in a downtrend, I do not anticipate permits to increase. Most of the permits are for repairs or renovation work for this period.

The Town received a total of \$7,567.50 for building and occupancy permits. This amount covers all costs for the department. In the short time that I have held this position, I have attended three courses to further my knowledge and help me. I will be taking more courses in the future. The Health Officer position is the more challenging, as there are many classes to take to keep up with seasonal outbreaks EEE and such.

I have regular office hours at the municipal building every Monday evening from 4:30 to 6:30 PM, and I can be reached by cell phone during the day at 755-1083. Thank you and I look forward to assisting you.

John J. Mammone
Code Enforcement / Health Officer

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The commission focused much of their energy this year on Sunrise Lake. We began by educating residents about invasive aquatic species, including milfoil, which we oversaw the treatment of. We have been successful in fighting this infestation and are optimistic that through diligence we can eradicate it in our lake. We spent a beautiful July morning hosting a Weed Watchers training session. Interested residents were educated by Amy Smagula, DES Limnologist /Exotic Species Program Coordinator, learning how to identify invasive weeds and the threats that they pose to lake health. Weed Watchers survey the lake in June through August by slowly boating around the perimeter of the lake and islands, making note of any invasive weeds. The state biologist determines the extent of the problem and formulates a control plan.

The commission continues to monitor the Adams Way easement, posting signs along the perimeter. This 25-acre easement area along Jones Brook not only helps protect the watershed but also allows public access to the brook. We kept an eye on the loon chicks, whose presence caused a delay in the draw down, to give them time to leave on their own. Loons are protected under the Endangered Species Conservation Act and require a long water runway to get airborne.

Finally, in an effort to explore recycling possibilities, we took a field trip to Waste Management in Rochester. After a tour of their impressive facility, we came away with a better understanding of what happens to our trash. We continue to explore recycling options for Middleton. Thanks to all the commissioners for the unselfish donation of their time, and special thanks to Neil Turner for the many ways in which he has helped throughout the year.

Kate Buzard, Chair
Carol Vita, Secretary
Evelyn Campbell

FIRE & RESCUE DEPARTMENT REPORT

The Middleton Fire Rescue Department continues to strive to be there for the protection and over all well being of the residents of Middleton. The members of the Fire/Rescue Department are special people. They spend countless hours away from their own families and give up their personal time to make this town safer. They deserve our praise and admiration for their commitment and dedication to our community.

Over the past two years, we began purchasing new safety equipment/bunker gear. Much of what was replaced was 10+ years old and beyond recommended standards. We try to stay within our limited budget and purchase a few sets of gear each year.

Early in 2008, we received a donation from local residents Bob and Gail Knowlton. This was used to purchase a 12-lead monitor for the ambulance. This is very important equipment and has enabled our EMS team to provide more advanced care in situations where it is required. Special thanks to Bob and Gail for their generosity which benefits the entire community!

The Fire Rescue Association continues to actively hold fundraisers to help the department purchase necessary equipment without a further burden to the taxpayers. The Toys for Tots drive this year was a HUGE success. We held one of the most successful turkey raffles since it began many years ago. We provided for more families than ever before and our town spirit really shined through in these tough economic times. This is a testament to all those who live here. A special thank you to all who support our fundraisers throughout the year.

The December ice storm was unforgettable. Department members worked countless hours, some with little or no sleep and while many were without power at their own homes. They conducted door-to-door welfare checks to make sure that those who remained without power and decided to wait it out were safe and sound. They responded to medical emergencies and downed power lines, transported folks to local shelters, and worked side by side with Joe Curtin, Middleton's Emergency Management Director and FEMA to ensure that all of our residents were taken care of.

We continue to look forward to the possibility of a new facility to ensure better service to the town, enhanced member safety, and a better working environment.

The department responded to the following calls in 2008:

Ambulance	63	Hazardous Condition	7
Mutual Aid Received	60	Chimney Fire	4
Medical Assist	19	Smoke Investigation	4
Power Lines Down	12	Non Permit Burns	3
Service Call	10	Structure Fire	3
Mutual Aid Given	9	Brush Fire	1
MVA	9		

Thanks to all members for your hard work and to your families for their support.

Mike Laughy, Sr.
Fire Chief

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT REPORT

Another year has come and gone with 2008 being a very busy one. We had a record amount of snowfall that increased the amount of calls for snow plowing and sanding. We went out 26 days out of 28 days in the month of February and a total of 66 times after regular hours.

This put a strain on the budget lines like diesel fuel, gas, salt, sand, and payroll along with the highway employees and their families. Normally, we budget an average of 20 events per season. However, in 2008 the highway department plowed 3+ seasons worth of snow! Hopefully, 2009 will not be a repeat of 2008.

The summer months were also very busy with regular maintenance and reconstruction on one (1) mile of New Durham Road. We replaced all drainage and increased culvert sizes in flood prone areas, added gravel to low spots and reclaimed and paved the road. Two of the shim/overlay projects were put off until 2009 due to the hot top price increase from \$55 per ton to \$75 per ton. It was hoped that the 2009 price would decrease. We saved tax dollars in the amount of approximately \$200,000 by screening over 4,800 yards of winter sand from our own pit along with processing 1,300 yards of $\frac{3}{4}$ inch crushed gravel with a savings of approximately \$17,940.

We took delivery of the new International truck that was approved at the 2008 Town Meeting late in November just in time for winter use.

At this time, I would to thank all my employees, Rob Page, Dale Glidden, Pete Masse, Jr. and our new part-time employee, Ed Brannan for another great year. I would also like to thank others who helped with projects throughout the year. Those included Barron Brothers Construction, Paul Barron Construction, and Scott Pike who has always been available to help at anytime on different projects.

A special thanks to the taxpayers of Middleton for your continued support of the Highway Department's request for equipment and the support of our budget. I would also like to thank the Board of Selectmen for their continued support, which we appreciate.

Rick A. Washburn
Road Agent

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

The Police Department has had another very busy year both in serving the community and updating and upgrading its training and services. During the year, Chief Sobel and K-9 "Raven" were certified in patrol and narcotics detection. Sgt. Gilman also continued SWAT training and, responded with the Strafford County Regional Tactical Operations unit to a standoff in Farmington as well as other incidents through the county.

The following chart illustrates a breakdown of all our calls for service for the town in 2008.

CALLS FOR SERVICE	790	2.59% decrease
ARRESTS	78	0% increase
MOTOR VEHICLE SUMMONS	164	16.8% decrease
MOTOR VEHICLE WARNINGS	975	4.2% increase
MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENTS	25	25% increase

As you can see from the above chart, our arrest statistics stayed the same, but we drastically increased our motor vehicle activity. Due to these tough economic times, the Middleton Police Department will continue to provide excellent service with the least amount of impact to the taxpayers.

In 2009, one of the department's goals is to start a Citizens Academy for residents of the town. This a free event where individuals will have the opportunity to see how a police officer is trained and what a police officer does. We also expect to have the bicycle patrol more visible throughout the lakefront neighborhoods. We are also in the process of updating policies and procedures within the department.

In closing, I would like to thank the residents of Middleton for their continued support. If anyone has any comments or concerns feel free to contact me.

Randy Sobel
Chief of Police

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT REPORT

The Zoning Board of Adjustment received and acted upon seven applications for Area Variances, six of which were approved and one denied. The denial resulted in an application for a rehearing which was granted; however, upon rehearing the variance was, again, denied. The Board received one request for a Special Exception, which was acted upon and approved.

There were no requests for Use Variances.

Currently there are five regular members and two alternate members, either of which will substitute in the event of a regular member being absent or having a conflict of interests in a specific case.

As a reminder to the public, the Zoning Board of Adjustment meets on the second Tuesday of every month at 6:30 and is open to the public. If you have need for an application, call Town Hall at 473-2261.

Joe Branca, Chairman

Regular Members:

Joe Branca
Al Poulin (Vice Chairman)
Lou Vita (Clerk)
Linda Adamo
Richard Chamberlain

Alternate Members:

Neil Turner
John Mullen, Jr.

PLANNING BOARD REPORT

While subdivision applications fell off dramatically in 2008, we approved a number of Shoreland Permits and two lot-line adjustments.

The planning board ultimately approved a seven-lot subdivision on Ridge Road that includes a grass landing strip for private planes. If this strip ever ceases to be used as such, it will revert to conservation land rather than being developed. An easement will be granted for the existing snowmobile trail. The developer also agreed to require to use outdoor lighting that meets the standards of the International Dark-Sky Association. In March the voters approved a zoning regulations change that will give us more say in any future developments that include a landing strip.

A major development on the north end of Silver Street was voted down by the Planning Board after the developer apparently encountered financial difficulty. In the fall there was an inquiry about proceeding with the proposal, but we have not heard more since then.

Perhaps most important, we finalized and approved the updated town Master Plan. We are in the process of making it available online and in print form. This has been a long process that took a number of years. It not only provides a road map for future development, but sets the stage for the creation of a Capital Improvement Plan (CIP). This is required if the Town wants to consider imposing Impact Fees in the future.

The Board wants to thank Clerk Joni van Gelder for her several years of highly competent and dedicated service. We reluctantly accepted her resignation effective March 2009.

Lastly, I want to thank the board members and many citizens who participated in the planning process during my tenure. Our regulations, while not perfect, are now seen as a model for other communities. We've expanded our Commercial District and made it more possible to create, over time, a true small-town center in the Middleton Four Corners District. Our Master Plan is now updated for the first time since 1982. Serving is an honor, but now is a good time for me to step down and let other members of the community bring their skills and viewpoints to the table. Thank you for letting me serve you.

Jack Savage, Chair

Mark Stevens, Vice Chair
Kate Buzard, member
Gilman Pond, Secretary
Roger Mains, Selectman's Ex Officio member
Amanda Page, Alternate
Randy Talon, Alternate
Joni van Gelder, Clerk and Alternate

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT REPORT

The Emergency Management Director (EMD) is a volunteer position appointed by the Board of Selectmen. The mission of the EMD is to:

- Work closely with all the emergency response managers to collectively prepare Middleton for emergencies
- Advise and help implement the planning and coordination for mitigation, preparedness, response and recovery from all disasters
- Work closely with governments at the local, regional, state, and national levels to build effective national emergency management

2008 Activities:

- Served on the Town's Risk Management Committee
- Identified the need for an emergency electrical back-up system for the Police Department, Emergency Operations Center (EOC), and the Town Administrative Offices. Prepared the necessary Warrant Article and Request for Bids for the purchase and installation of such a back-up system. The project was approved and the Board of Selectmen awarded the contract.
- Acquired a \$6,500 base station radio system for the EOC through the State Office of Safety with full funding through the Homeland Security Grant Program. The system is up and running.
- Responded to the December ice storm, opening the EOC and assisting with the coordination of the emergency response and relief efforts. Many thanks to Police, Fire, Animal Control, Town Clerk, Highway, Board of Selectmen, and several volunteers for assisting at the EOC and for conducting a house-to-house welfare check of our residents.
- Represented Middleton on the Board of the Northern Strafford County Health and Safety Council (NSCHSC) continuing the town's fifth year of partnership. NSCHSC is a regional organization committed to improving and protecting the public health and well being of residents in the region.
 - Through this partnership, and at no cost to the town, we acquired:
 - 20 portable medical beds and 2 storage racks to be used in case of an emergency, for a warming center or at the regional shelter. Thanks to our highway crew for assembling the racks and moving the equipment into the storage area.
 - A HP laptop computer to be used by the Office of Emergency Management in planning efforts.

- Also, through this partnership:
 - The EMD was fully funded to participate in the Public Health Preparedness Summit in Atlanta, Georgia.
 - Staff and volunteers participated in a Point of Distribution training drill at Farmington High School. The school will be the regional location for the distribution of medication in the event of a public health emergency.
Thanks to the volunteers for giving up their Saturday morning.
 - Staff continues to work on committees to complete regional public health response plan for avian flu pandemic and other public health emergencies.

Joseph J. Curtin
Emergency Management Director



NORTHERN STRAFFORD COUNTY HEALTH AND SAFETY COUNCIL – 2008 PROGRAM SUMMARY

Middleton and the Northern Strafford County Health and Safety Council (NSCHSC) celebrated their fifth year of partnership in 2008.

Emergency Management Director Joe Curtin continued as board representative. His dedication and perspective has been a great asset in our work.

In furtherance of our mission to *“improve and protect the public health and well being of residents in the region through the facilitation of diverse organizations, institutions, and community residents that collaborate in the enhancement of clinical and community based systems”* we:

- Received an 80% score from NH Homeland Security and Emergency Management on our mass vaccination plan.
- Responded to the December ice storm. The Rochester shelter was opened for five days and the Acute Care Center was opened for the first time.
- Conducted multiple trainings and exercises with our planning partners.
- Completed an All Health Hazards Plan. Revisions to be made in early 2009.
- Conducted Regional Emergency Preparedness Education campaign.
- Continued growth of regional Citizen Corps Unit.
- Received grant from US DHHS to develop new Medical Reserve Corps.
- Collaborated with regional fire departments for Safe Heat 2008 public education campaign.
- Increased working relationships among home health, Community Health Center, mental health, and education communities for emergency planning.
- Began work with Community Organizations Active in Disasters (COAD).
- Continued work with New Hampshire Charitable Fund Teen Health Grant.
- Received grant to continue work with Community Support Organization.
- Awarded multi-year funding to develop after school program.
- Awarded Drug Free Coalition Grant in the amount of \$225,000.
- Completed agreement for coordinated planning which included shared goals of local government, health care and NSCHSC.

NSCHSC looks forward to our continued partnership. We welcome feedback and increased participation. For more information, please contact us at:

Karen Gray, RN
Executive Director
Email kgray@nschsc.org

NSCHSC
PO Box 564
Rochester, NH 03867
Phone: 335-0168

ROCHESTER DISTRICT VNA

ROCHESTER DISTRICT VNA ANNUAL REPORT for 2008

Rochester District VNA (Your VNA) continues to serve as your home health agency providing skilled nursing, rehabilitative therapies, medical social work, licensed nursing assistance and supportive services on an intermittent basis throughout your community. We are proud to provide you with highly skilled and well trained clinicians.

Home health care continues to incur reductions in Medicare reimbursement with additional reductions threatened for the next three years. Skilled service provided under Medicaid is reimbursed by the state at less than half the cost to provide it. The numbers of uninsured individuals increase each year. Your funding of these services is crucial to people in need of skilled nursing and therapy care. Adequate funding for home care is critical to keeping patients in their home, the most cost-effective place to receive care.

The acuity of our patients is constantly increasing. Many patients need IV therapy, chemo therapy, enteral feedings, therapy after knee/hip replacements and complicated wound dressings. Patients are discharged very quickly from hospitals and require the skilled services provided by our trained nurses and therapists. Many hospital admissions are avoided by a referral directly to home care from the physician.

We continue to provide support services including: homemakers, personal care attendants and in-home companions paid by Title XX and Strafford County funding as well as by the patient. These services allow individuals requiring minimal support to remain safely in their homes at the lowest possible cost. We opened our Adult Day Center one year ago, which benefits many families by providing a safe, family atmosphere for loved ones no longer able to be at home alone.

We continue to improve our utilization of electronic charts resulting in the following: improved clinical efficiency and accuracy of documentation, flow of data to appropriate disciplines at the time most needed, ease of viewing historical data, improved coordination of care, decreased man hours with less manual paper processes and a reduction in errors. We have reduced office staff by relying more on technology. This saves dollars and improves access and accuracy. Telehealth use continues to increase. The results of daily monitoring of our most seriously ill patients have prevented additional visits to the emergency room through early interventions.

Our biggest and most critical challenge is being dependent on the government for 85% of our revenue. We set charges for services, but are dependent on what the government pays regardless of the cost to provide the care. Therefore, your continued support of Rochester District Visiting Nurse Association (Your VNA) is vitally important to our abilities to meet the many health needs in your community. It is also important when you need home care to ask for us by name. You have a choice. Ask for Rochester District VNA by name.

11 months #s annualized

Visits by Service:

Skilled Nursing	257
Physical Therapy	165
Occupational Therapy	46
Speech Therapy	4
Medical Social Work	7
LNA (nursing assistant)	6
Homemaking	1
Perinatal visits	5
In-home provider	1
PCSP	6

Submitted by: Linda Hotchkiss RN, MHSA, Chief Executive Officer

of Home Care patients

admitted by payment source

Medicare	17
Medicaid	1
Insurance	21
Private/Self	0

of Support Services Admissions by pay source

Title XX and County	1
Insurance	
Private Pay	

MIDDLETON GRADUATES

Class of 2008

Bailey, Joseph
Barron, Alana
Burney, Bruse
Cutter, Jacob
DeMatos, Jared
Evans, Justin
Gagnon, Steven
Garland, Seth
Goodwin, Tanya
Goslin, Cam
Hackett, Kathleen
Hirtle, Alexander
Hurd, Tom
Langley, Crystal
Lovejoy, Kyle
Mather, Jacob
McLendon, Erin
McPherson, Haley
Melanson, Joseph
O'Leary, Heather
Poisson, Nicholas
Reynolds, Erica
Spinale, Bryana
Talon, Caitlin
Tokman, Edgar
Tozier, Luke
Vestal, Chad



CONGRATULATIONS!

TOWN OF MIDDLETON, NEW HAMPSHIRE DIRECTORY

POLICE, FIRE, AMBULANCE EMERGENCY	E-911
STRAFFORD COUNTY DISPATCH	742-4960
POLICE DEPARTMENT BUSINESS PHONE	473-8548
FIRE DEPARTMENT BUSINESS PHONE	473-2750
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT	473-8390
CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER	473-8513
ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER	473-8288
TAX COLLECTOR/TOWN CLERK	473-2134
PLANNING BOARD	473-2261
ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT	473-2261
SELECTMEN'S OFFICE	473-2261
TOWN ADMINISTRATOR	473-2261
TOWN OFFICE FAX	473-2577

OFFICE HOURS SELECTMEN'S OFFICE
MONDAY 10AM - 7 PM, TUESDAY - THURSDAY 8 AM - 4 PM